

Washington, D.C. – U.S. Reps. Tom Rooney (R-FL), John Larson (D-CT), Lynn Westmoreland (R-GA) and Chellie Pingree (D-ME) will hold a press conference on Tuesday, February 15 at 11:00 am to discuss their amendment to strike funding for the wasteful extra engine program for the F-35 Joint Strike Fighter.

“The extra engine program, which our military leaders have said repeatedly they do not want or need, has already cost taxpayers about \$3 billion, and the Pentagon estimates it will cost another \$3 billion to complete development,” the Representatives said. “The extra engine is a luxury we simply cannot afford.”

The Representatives’ amendment, which they will offer on the floor this week, strikes funding for the extra engine program, saving \$450 million in fiscal year 2011 and billions more in the years to come.

EVENT DETAILS

WHO: U.S. Reps. Tom Rooney (R-FL), John Larson (D-CT), Lynn Westmoreland (R-GA) and Chellie Pingree (D-ME)

WHAT: Press conference to discuss amendment to strike funding for the extra engine for the F-35 Joint Strike Fighter

WHERE: House Radio and TV Gallery, HVC 117

WHEN: Tuesday, February 15 at 11:00 am

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